



## City of Gaithersburg Press Release

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### For Immediate Release

## Community Museum Hosts “Maryland & the Suffrage Movement” Facebook Event

**Gaithersburg, MD (July 31, 2020)** As the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of women’s suffrage approaches, the Gaithersburg Community Museum invites you to a Facebook discussion about **Maryland and the Suffrage Movement** with National Park Ranger Susan Philpott. The virtual event takes place on Thursday, August 13, 2020, at 7 p.m. on the [Community Museum Facebook page](#). The program kicks off an upcoming educational series about women’s suffrage and voting rights.

August 18, 2020, marks the 100th anniversary of the ratification of the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment, which grants women the right to vote. Maryland had a very active suffrage organization even while the state's political leaders were mostly against passage. Learn more about this critical time during a Facebook Live discussion with Susan Philpott, a National Park Ranger at the [Belmont-Paul Women's Equality National Monument](#), a historic house and museum of the U.S. women's suffrage and equal rights movements located in the Capitol Hill neighborhood of Washington, D.C. RSVP to the Facebook event [here](#).

Located in the restored 1884 B&O Railroad Station complex near the intersection of Summit and Diamond Avenues in Olde Towne, the Gaithersburg Community Museum features educational exhibits and programs designed to spark interest and imagination about our City's history. While the museum is temporarily closed during the pandemic, several virtual activities are taking place. Learn more [here](#).

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